

## **BIOGRAPHY**

## CIVIL AIR PATROL

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## **COLONEL ALBERT A. ALLENBACK**

Colonel Albert A. Allenback, USAF-Ret., is executive director of Civil Air Patrol, official auxiliary of the Air Force, headquartered at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. In this position, he oversees the headquarters staff members responsible for supporting CAP's three missions – emergency services, aerospace education and cadet programs. CAP is a non-profit, federally chartered, private-corporation with more than 62,000 members throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and several overseas Air Force installations.

Prior to his retirement from the Air Force in September 2002, Colonel Allenback served as commander, Civil Air Patrol-USAF, providing advice, liaison and oversight to CAP.

Colonel Allenback entered the Air Force in 1974 after commissioning through Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Following completion of undergraduate pilot training as an outstanding graduate, he was an instructor pilot and flight examiner in the A-10 Thunderbolt II. During his career he has held a variety



of operational and staff positions including aircraft commander, instructor pilot and flight examiner, aide-de-camp to the commander in chief, Republic of Korea/U.S. Combined Forces Command, weapons staff officer in the Office of Legislative Liaison at the Pentagon, and vice wing commander, 4404th Wing (Provisional), Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia.

He has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels, serving as commander, 42d Air Base Wing at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He was also the commander of the 609th Air Support Squadron and chief of support plans for 9th Air Force Headquarters at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. He established and commanded the 9th Air Expeditionary Group, Ali Al Salem Air Base, Kuwait, during Operation DESERT THUNDER. He is a command pilot with more than 2,400 hours in the A-10 aircraft.

Colonel Allenback earned a bachelor's degree in aerospace/aviation management from Middle Tennessee State University, a Master's degree in national security and strategic studies from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. He is also a graduate of the Air War College and Joint Professional Military Education, Armed Forces Staff College.

His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, and the National Defense Service Medal.

He is married to retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Jeanne M. Charbonneau. They have four children: Heather, Aimee, Anne-Marie and Albert.